

IC 9-18-22

Chapter 22. License Plates for Persons With Disabilities

IC 9-18-22-1

Eligibility

Sec. 1. The bureau shall issue a license plate or decal for a person with a disability that designates a vehicle as a vehicle that is regularly used to transport a person who:

- (1) has been issued a permanent parking placard under IC 9-14-5;
- (2) has a permanent physical disability that requires the use of a wheelchair, walker, braces, or crutches;
- (3) has permanently lost the use of one (1) or both legs;
- (4) is certified by a physician having an unlimited license to practice medicine in Indiana to be severely and permanently restricted:
 - (A) in mobility;
 - (B) by a pulmonary or cardiovascular disability;
 - (C) by an arthritic condition; or
 - (D) by an orthopedic or a neurological impairment; or
- (5) is certified by an optometrist or ophthalmologist licensed to practice in Indiana to be:
 - (A) blind (as defined in IC 12-7-2-21(2)); or
 - (B) visually impaired (as defined in IC 12-7-2-198).

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.22-1991, SEC.5; P.L.2-1992, SEC.85; P.L.23-1993, SEC.26.

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Design

Sec. 2. The license plate or decal for a person with a disability must bear:

- (1) the official international wheelchair symbol;
- (2) a reasonable facsimile of the international wheelchair symbol; or
- (3) another symbol selected by the bureau;

to designate the vehicle as being used to transport a person with a disability.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.27.

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Issuance; limitations

Sec. 3. The license plate or decal for a person with a disability may only be issued to the following:

- (1) A person with a disability.
- (2) A person who owns a vehicle that is:
 - (A) frequently operated by a person with a disability; or
 - (B) used to transport a person with a disability.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.28.

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Assignment and display restrictions

Sec. 4. The license plate or decal for a person with a disability:

(1) shall be assigned to a vehicle subject to registration under Indiana law; and

(2) may be displayed only on a legally registered vehicle.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.29.

IC 9-18-22-5**Vehicle use restrictions**

Sec. 5. The motor vehicle bearing the license plate or decal for a person with a disability may only be used by the person who has registered the motor vehicle for private and personal purposes.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.30.

IC 9-18-22-6**Fraudulent obtainment and use of plates and decals; misdemeanors**

Sec. 6. (a) A person who knowingly and falsely professes to have the qualifications to obtain a license plate or decal for a person with a disability under this chapter commits a Class C misdemeanor.

(b) A person who owns a vehicle bearing a license plate or decal for a person with a disability when the person knows the person is not entitled to the license plate or decal for a person with a disability under this chapter commits a Class C misdemeanor.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.23-1993, SEC.31.